

## WOMEN QUARREL, HUSBANDS JOIN IN A KNIFE DUEL

Jess Statler and Earl Marlin Dangerously Wounded In Battle on Staircase

ONE WOMAN AIDS HER HUSBAND IN FIGHT

Holds Opponent as Husband Slashes—Affray Occurs at Main Street House

In a knife and fist fight in which one man's wife helped hold his opponent while her husband stabbed and slashed, two men last night were wounded dangerously at 31A North Main street. The fight grew out of an altercation between the wives of the men.

The fighting began at the head of the staircase and continued till one of the men had been knocked down and kicked almost senseless as he lay in the street after he had run from the house.

The injured men are:

Jess F. Statler, 23 years old, of 928 Giboney avenue, Milltown, scalp wounds over the left ear about five inches long, three long flesh wounds across the back and two stabs penetrating between the ribs in the middle of his back.

Earl Marlin, 22 years old, 31A North Main street, shoe worker, flesh wounds on the back and stab penetrating the right lung under the arm. Condition serious at St. Francis Hospital.

Marlin and his wife, Emma Marlin, reside in an apartment in front of the Main street address, while Mrs. R. J. Wills, with two children, Cleo Wills, 14 years old, and Leola Wills, 10, occupy a two-room apartment in the rear on the second floor.

Statler's wife is a daughter of Mrs. Wills. Last evening Statler and his wife walked from their home in Milltown to the Wills home, where they visited for several minutes in the Wills apartment. They had gone to the library on their way to obtain some books.

About 7 o'clock, they all prepared to go to a moving picture show in Hanrig. Statler said that he had only 60 cents left from his former week's wages, but that he was determined to take his mother-in-law and her children all to the show, because he had promised to do so.

Statler is employed part time at the Cape Cooperage plant, and two years ago had been employed as a wagon driver for the U. S. Express Company. He is well-known about the Cape.

The five persons came out of the Wills apartment and started for the front staircase leading to the street. Statler and his wife were walking in front with Cleo holding one of Statler's hands, and Mrs. Statler holding his other arm.

As they reached the head of the stairs, Mrs. Statler related last night, after the cutting, the door of the Marlin apartment opened and Mrs. Marlin stepped out, followed by her husband.

Mrs. Wills, who is 58 years old, and her 10-year-old daughter stopped as the Marlins came out in the hall, they related.

An altercation between Mrs. Statler and Mrs. Marlin followed. According to the story that Mrs. Statler told the police and The Tribune, Mrs. Marlin asked Statler if she had been telling him any stories about his wife.

Statler remarked that she had not, and started to pass on down the stairs. The altercation between the women continued and Statler stopped. Marlin interrupted the women, whereupon Statler said that he did not want to have any trouble.

Statler declares that Marlin threatened to kill him "before he could get out of the place."

Mrs. Marlin grabbed Mrs. Statler by the hair, the latter charges, and struck her on the head. Statler attempted to get his wife away from Mrs. Marlin. Mrs. Marlin then grabbed Statler by the hair and arm, Mrs. Statler says, and Marlin then commenced cutting with his knife.

Statler said that Marlin slashed him on the side of the head first. He then said he believed he was cut on the back and stabbed there. The two men fought down the steps, Marlin and Statler by that time both cutting each other and attempting to grab each other's knife.

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U. S. Supreme Judge Who Suffered Stroke



Associate Justice Joseph R. Lamar of the supreme court of the United States is suffering from a paralytic stroke which affects his left arm only. His recovery within a few months is expected.

## SHIPPERS ENDURE SHORTAGE OF CARS

Heavy Grain Movement Causes Loss of Equipment in Southeast Missouri

A car shortage on all the railroad lines penetrating Southeast Missouri and Northern Arkansas has become apparent within the last few weeks, has launched a battle of wits to secure transportation service among shippers.

Traffic men, who have become acquainted with the character of the shortage, believe that it may become so serious as to injure the crops of this section of the middle west to some extent.

The shortage, it is declared, has been the result of a culmination of several circumstances, all tending to bring about a stringency in the supply of freight cars. The vast crops that have been harvested throughout the grain belt combined with the curtailed manufacture of new cars, have been the principal cause of the shortage.

The Frisco, it is said, is putting new cars in service constantly, both in St. Louis and Memphis.

For the most part, the new cars are sent to the vast wheat fields and corn fields of Kansas and other points west of here. The demand there every fall is probably more urgent than at any place else in the United States.

In anticipation of the rush for cars, many already have been stored up in that section of the country awaiting their cargoes of grain. That, coupled with the withdrawal of many cars from service to place them in the repair shops to make them fit for grain and cotton hauling, has made the supply short in this section of Missouri.

On the South end of the Hoxie line, many farmers are crying for cars and more cars, with which to market their cotton and cotton seed.

Cotton and cotton seed must be shipped in box cars that are absolutely sealed tight to keep the cotton from fire and water. Grain likewise must be shipped in box cars.

This summer when melons were being shipped out of Southeast Missouri in wholesale manner, the raisers experienced a slight shortage in stock cars in which the fruit is freighted.

Indications are that plantation owners will simply have to hold their products till cars can eventually be distributed around, for the same condition prevails over the entire middle west.

Miss Linnette Ross, daughter of the late Judge A. Ross, U. S. Referee in Bankruptcy, will be married Tuesday to Arden Rearick, of Indianapolis, formerly of the Cape, friends of the couple have learned. Miss Ross has been living with her widowed mother and a sister at 517A Broadway, the old Ross homestead.

## BANKS GREW AS SWAMPEAST MO. WAS DEVELOPED

—Stubblefield

Cape Banker Outlines History Of Banking Houses At Group Conference

"COUNTY" FINANCIERS CONTROL \$5,880,162

Resolution Approves Wilsons Foreign Policies—Leslie is Next Chairman

Bankers representing nearly \$6,000,000 in capital stock and surplus in Southeast Missouri country banks and representatives of many millions more from larger banks over the state yesterday afternoon, at a conference of Group Six of the Missouri Bankers' Association, adopted a resolution commending President Wilson for his foreign diplomacy during the war.

The meeting lasted but a single day, and virtually every "country" bank in this part of the state was represented.

The remarkable growth of banking in "Swampeast" Missouri was described in an address by William H. Stubblefield, Jr., president of the Sturdivant Bank, as a feature of the program.

Group Six comprises the following counties: Perry, Madison, Iron, Reynolds, Wayne, Bollinger, Cape Girardeau, Scott, Mississippi, New Madrid, Stoddard, Pemiscott, Dunklin, Butler, Ripley and Carter.

"There are 142 banks in that area now," Mr. Stubblefield declared. "The capital stock of all of them is \$4,107,800. The surplus is \$1,772,362, making a total of capital and surplus of \$5,880,162."

"Deposits aggregate \$3,538,500 and the amount of loans totals \$5,269,340."

"The rise of the banking business has been coincident with the development of the land in this part of the state."

Prior to 1887, there was only one bank in the area that now comprises this group. That was the Sturdivant Bank. Between 1886 and 1887 there were only three banks organized. Those were organized in 1887 and were at Poplar Bluff, Charleston and Sikeston.

"Congressman Joseph J. Russell now is president of the bank organized at that time in Charleston. The Cape County Savings Bank was organized in 1888."

"Between 1896 and 1900, there were 22 new banks organized, and since 1900 the country has seen the organization of 115 new institutions."

"These figures in themselves illustrate the demand for banking facilities in this section of the state."

At the business session in the afternoon, L. C. Leslie, of Morley, secretary of the group for the last year, was named chairman, and Clyde Oakes, of Kennett, was named the new secretary.

Other addresses that were given before the group meeting were by Congressman Russell and A. L. Churchill, of Vinita, Okla. The latter talked on the relation of dairy farming to the banking business, and Russell spoke on the banker as a citizen.

In the resolutions that the group approved, a merchant marine was urged for this country and the work of the Missouri Bankers' Association was commended for the good roads work that it had had done.

At the close of the afternoon business session, the bankers were given an automobile tour of the city before they went to the Methodist Church for a banquet and subsequently to a show.

President J. H. McPherson of the Cape Commercial Club made the address of welcome, an dthe invocation was read by Rev. J. J. Clifton.

The bankers who registered were:

C. A. Kiesler, assistant cashier, Perry County Bank, Perryville. O. F. Dalton, cashier, Wyatt Bank, Wyatt.

Wm. Paar, president, Peoples' National, Jackson.

H. R. Phillips, assistant cashier, Bank of Perryville, Perryville.

H. W. Kramer, assistant cashier, National Stock Yards National, National Stock Yards, Ill.

George W. Treece, cashier Bank of Steele, Steele.

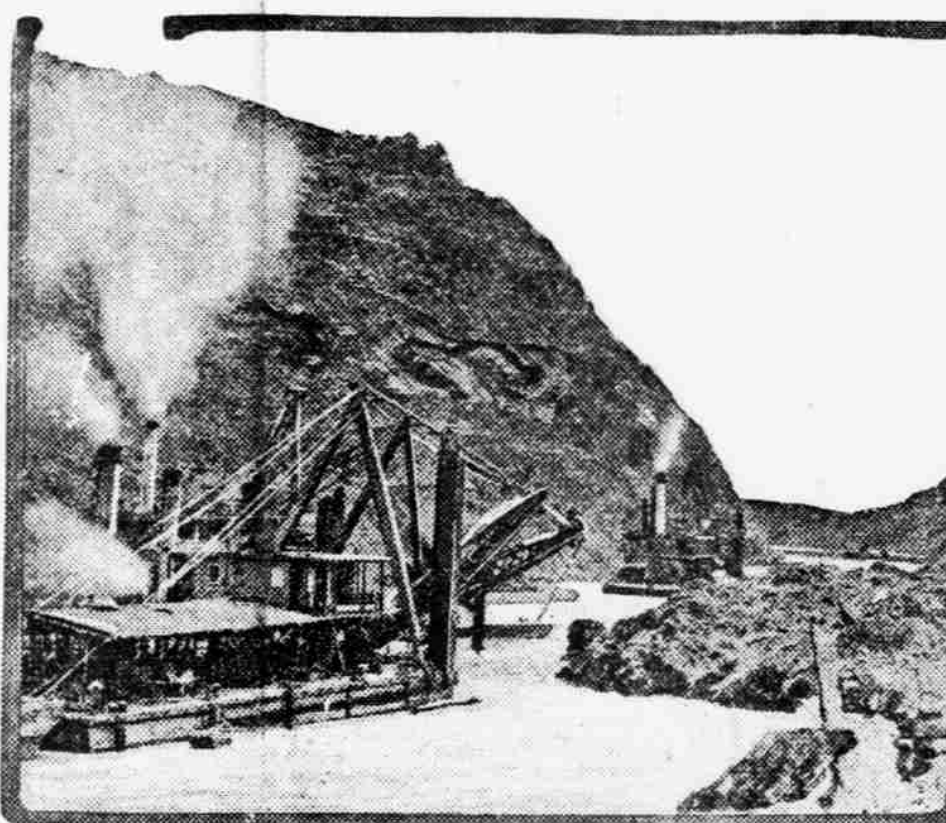
L. G. La barge, correspondent manager, Boatmans Bank, St. Louis.

William A. Defani, secretary Home Trust Company, Perryville.

George A. Boyd, National Stock

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## Land Slide at Panama Which Stopped Traffic Through Canal



This photograph shows dredges working on the latest slides that have blocked the Panama canal just north of Gold hill. Slides occurred on both banks and the land pushed up formed an island in the center of the channel. The canal may not be opened again to traffic before the end of the year.

## E. R. TRICKEY IS MISSING, WIFE SAYS

Auto Man Sold Machine Day Before he Left the City—Auto Belonged to Wife

Mrs. E. R. Trickey, who lives on a farm just east of Jackson, last night requested the police to locate her husband who has disappeared. He was last seen by Mrs. Trickey Tuesday morning, when he left for Jackson. He has been operating a passenger automobile between Cape Girardeau and the county seat since his marriage to Mrs. Gertie Slinkard, several months ago.

Tuesday evening he disposed of his automobile to Barrett Cotner, of the Park Automobile Company, and since that time has not been seen by his wife. She communicated with Mr. Cotner yesterday, and when told that Trickey has disposed of the automobile, she declared that it belonged to her.

When Trickey offered the machine to Mr. Cotner for \$200, he informed the automobile man that the car was not numbered. A brother, who had been in the employ of the Park Automobile Company, assured Mr. Cotner that the machine belonged to Trickey.

Mr. Cotner paid for the automobile with two \$100 checks. Yesterday a merchant from Hayti telephoned to the Park Automobile Company, asking whether a check for \$100, issued by the company to E. R. Trickey was genuine. When told that it was, the merchant cashed it. About one half of the sum was spent for clothing, the merchant told Mr. Cotner last night.

Mrs. Trickey last night informed Mr. Cotner that she had not authorized her husband to sell the automobile, and that she did not recognize the transaction. She stated that the machine was purchased from Jess Hill, a well-known farmer, and that she paid cash and the equivalent of \$500. The machine has been used several months since then, however, and the price Mr. Cotner paid for it is considered its full value.

## 15 DEATHS LAID TO COLLISION

Butte Mining Company's Train Car Believed to Have Hit Powder Boxes.

Butte, Mont., Oct. 20.—Among the theories advanced here for the explosion of approximately 650 pounds of giant powder at the mouth of the Granite mountain shaft of the North Butte Mining company's property here, causing the death of 15 men and the injury of a half dozen more, was the breaking away of a surface tram car loaded with lumber and its crashing into the boxes of blast powder.

## More Aliens Depart Than Arrive.

Washington, Oct. 20.—More aliens departed from the United States in August than arrived, the number being greater than in any month except last December, since the European war began. Emigrant and non-emigrant aliens to a total of 41,737 departed, while 27,413 arrived.

## Spy Executed in London.

London, Oct. 20.—Two prisoners charged with espionage and tried by court martial in London have been found guilty and one sentenced to death and the other to five years' penal servitude.

## SAM SHERMAN'S LID DELAYS NEWLYWEDS

Puts Mr. and Mrs. Collins Baggage Checks in Tile and Loses Them

Baggage men, begrimed and overall-clad, joined by frantic young men, immaculately clad in full evening dress, members of the party from the wedding of Miss Marjorie Post to LeSear Thompson Collins, early this morning pawed over trunks, suitcases and traveling bags trying to disentangle the bridal couple's baggage from a muddle as the St. Louis-Memphis Limited waited 15 minutes overtime.

The baggage checks were lost! Sam Sherman, official care taker of the trunks, hid them in the silk hat, and consternation prevailed as the search for them was unavailing.

The bride and bridegroom became separated in the hunt for the baggage checks, and the train had to wait a few minutes longer as the conductor fumed and the brakies said things under their breath till they found one another.

Sam pushed his high top head gear back on his forehead as he vaguely searched one vast pocket after another and repeatedly performed the operation.

Sam didn't have anything in his pockets that looked like a check, so the baggage men and rice-throwing guests at the wedding and formal reception at the Elks Club were forced to haul the pieces back out of the car to be re-checked before the train proceeded.

Young Collins finally found his bride, who had been spirited away by the young women in the party. They boarded the train and were gone to Memphis.

The wedding at the Episcopal Church, was one of the prettiest affairs that has been held in the Cape this year. The church was well filled with society people from the Cape, and out-of-town guests, who were here for the marriage. Rev. J. J. Clifton conducted the ceremony.

Immediately after the wedding ceremony, the bride party and guests went to the Elks Club where a formal reception was held. There was dancing till a short time before train time, when the couple were to depart.

They will make their home in Newtonville, Mass., a small place near Boston. Miss Post formerly lived in St. Louis, and is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Post.

## OFFICER SLAIN BY AUTO THIEF

Police Sergeant Fired Upon When He Calls at Home of Suspect—Had Arrested Three Men.

Los Angeles, Cal., Oct. 20.—Police Sergeant J. S. Toolen was shot dead here in a roundup of automobile thieves. The whole available police force scattered to the hills beyond the city, hunting Harry Duncan, at whose home Toolen was shot.

Toolen went to Duncan's home and asked for him. Duncan's mother said he was not in. Incredible, Toolen stepped inside and was standing at the foot of a stairway questioning the mother when a shot from the head of the stairs struck him in the head and he fell. Another bullet pierced his heart.

## BRITISH EDITORS SAY NEW CABINET MUST BE CREATED

London Writers Declare People Have Lost Faith in Men Now in Control of the Government.

## ANOTHER ARMY OFFICER IS RETIRED BECAUSE OF BUNGLE

Germans Begin Fierce Attack on French, But Fail to Make Gains, Paris Says—Turks Take a City.

LONDON, Oct. 20.—A further serious upheaval in the British military forces in the Dardanelles was revealed in the House of Commons this afternoon by the announcement of H. G. Tennant, Under Secretary of War, that the officer who conducted the Sulva Bay landing had been relieved.

Bitter attacks were made today on the Coalition Cabinet by the British press, declaring that the people of England had lost faith in the efficacy of the Government's management of the war, and the editors made a demand that a small and efficient cabinet be created for the "purpose of fighting Germany." These were the developments today.

LONDON, Oct. 20.—The German army, which has been hammering for several days at the French line, east of Rheims, today began a new and most violent attack upon that portion of the front extending from Butte de Tir to Prunay. All day fighting has been raging with intense fury. The Germans are hurling a hail of shells of every caliber and description at the opposing trenches. The French, so far, have prevented any marked gains by the Germans.

LONDON, Oct. 20.—The Turkish troops, with strong artillery support, are moving along the Greco-Bulgar frontier toward Servia, according to a dispatch from Saloniki. It is reported also that a bombardment of Dedeagatch, a Bulgarian port in the Aegean Sea, is about to commence.

An official statement, issued in Sofia today, announces the occupation of Radovitch, which is about half way between Strumitza and Istep, the latter place also being in the hands of the Bulgarians.

The Servian Capital has been moved from Nish to Prizrend, which is near the Albanian frontier.

LONDON, Oct. 20.—Sir John French reports that German attacks against the British positions in Quarries, near Hulluch, yesterday were repulsed with heavy losses to the Teutons.

BERLIN, Oct. 20.—"By spring we shall probably have peace." This remark made by one of the highest and most prominent of State Officials may be taken as indicative of the view held in the German government quarters as to the probable duration of the war.

The person quoted occupies a position which lends great weight to his opinion. The remark was incidental to a discussion of the Balkan possibilities. When pressed to give his reason for the optimistic statement, the official replied that he based his expectation on the "sound business sense of the British," which would lead them to move for peace as soon as they saw nothing was to be obtained by continuing the war.

Berlin, Oct. 20.—Bulgarians have captured Sultan Tepe, Servia, southwest of Egri Polonka, an official announced today. It was said 2000 Servian prisoners and 12 cannons were taken.

The Austrians were reported advancing on Shabatz. Servian defeats were announced south of Lucia and Rozevac.

Obrenovatz, it was stated, was occupied by the invaders, and most of the surrounding region was under their control. Austrians and Germans were said to be linking their campaign along the Morava.

East of the Pirot the Bulgarians were said to have taken the Servians' first fortified line.

In Servia, besides taking Obrenavoc, it was asserted that the Austro-Germans had taken the heights southeast of the town, stormed and captured Gipsy Mountain, south of Grocka, and are advancing on both sides of the Morava River.